

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
August 19, 2008**



COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Lio Francisco, Julie Frazier, Ray Gamma, Steve Lee, Jerry Marsalli, Cynthia Owens, Chuck Seymour

STAFF PRESENT: George Friedenbach, Acting Director of Parks and Recreation
Phil Orr, Recreation Supervisor

GUESTS: Bruce Wigo,
Executive Director of International Swimming Hall of Fame

MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION: None.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Chair Seymour at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF July 15, 2008** – Commissioner Gamma moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Frazier and approved by the Commission.
- III. **SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS** – The Commission reviewed City Council actions pertaining to Parks and Recreation.
- IV. **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION** – Commission reviewed letter from Debbie Bruce regarding donation of tree, e-mail regarding Board and Commission Recognition Dinner, October 10, 2008, announcement about CPRS District IV Legislative Breakfast, and the dedication of the 49ers Fitness Zone at the Townsend Field/Connelly Field House.
- V. **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS** – Commissioner Seymour reported on visits to the Street Dance, 49ers Training Camp luncheon, Rotary Cup at the Soccer Park, Santa Clara Golf and Tennis Club, and the Creek Trails.

Commissioner Francisco reported on the Street Dance, Sister Cities Cultural Event, September 11th Concert at the Triton Museum, the upcoming Sister Cities chicken barbeque on Sunday, August 24, and the reported concerns about Segway use on the Creek Trails.

Commissioner Frazier reported on travels and visits to the Santa Barbara Rodeo.

Commissioner Gamma reported on visits to Dog Park, Habitat for Humanity fundraiser barbeque, library book sale, Relay For Life, Concerts in the Park, P.A.L. Softball Tournament, American Legion Breakfast, and 49ers Training Camp.

Commissioner Lee reported on visit to 49ers Training Camp.

Commissioner Marsalli reported on P.A.L. Softball Tournament, participation on the General Plan Steering Committee Workshops, and he reported citizens at the workshops are requesting more parks in Santa Clara.

Commissioner Owens reported on visiting the US Olympic Swim Team at the Stanford Training Facility.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Art & Wine Festival – Commission reviewed details of upcoming event.
- B. Program Report - Fall activity guide is completed.
- C. Project Update - Acting Director, George Friedenbach reported on the progress of; Ulistac Natural Area Phase II Project, Agnews Historic Cemetery, International Swim Center Pools Replacement Design, Central Park Sewer Improvement, and the Central Park Bridge Replacement.
- D. Park Fee Study– No report given.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Presentation about International Swimming Hall of Fame – Bruce Wigo, Executive Director of International Swimming Hall of Fame, gave a presentation about the background and purpose of the Hall of Fame. Commission reviewed the process for a proposal and reviewed the public use of the proposed facility and the need for a proposal from the International Swimming Hall of Fame.

VIII. CONFERENCE REPORTS – None.

IX. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None.

- X. Meeting adjourned to the next regular scheduled meeting, September 16, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., in the Staff Conference Room.

Prepared by:

George Friedenbach
Acting Director of Parks and Recreation

Steve Lee
Secretary